

ABSTRACT

A method and system for notifying an administrator when a user of a document processing device, such as a multifunction peripheral device, requests a change in the configuration of the document processing device. A user accesses the document processing device via a user interface, requesting that the configuration of the device be altered. The user then provides identification information verifying the identity of the user. An authentication server then determines whether or not the identified user is authorized to make the change in the device configuration. Access is denied to unverified or unauthorized users attempting to change the configuration of the document processing device. In the event that the user is verified, but not authorized to make the requested change, the authentication server rejects the requested change and notifies the administrator of the attempt to change the configuration. When the user is both verified and authorized to make a requested change, the device configuration is subsequently altered, conforming to that requested configuration, and a notice is transmitted to the administrator containing information related to the change in configuration.